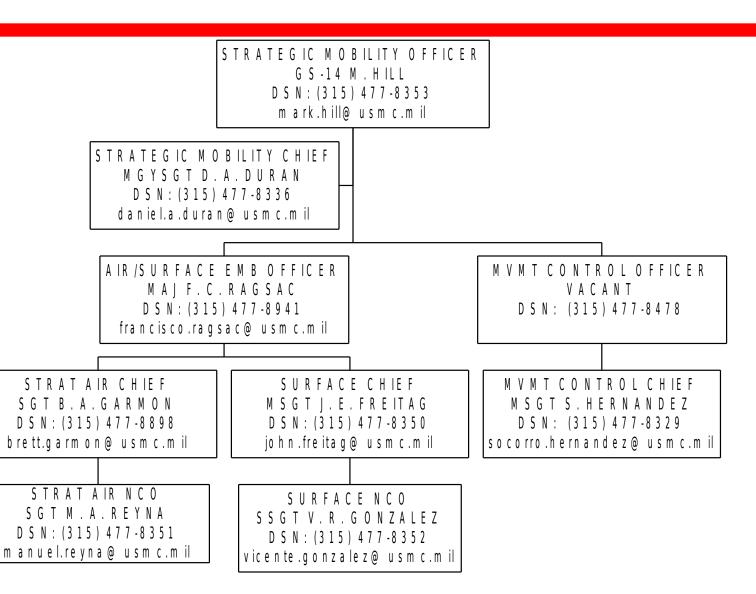


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## Relocation of Amphibious Ships to Hawaii





### **Analysis of Problem**

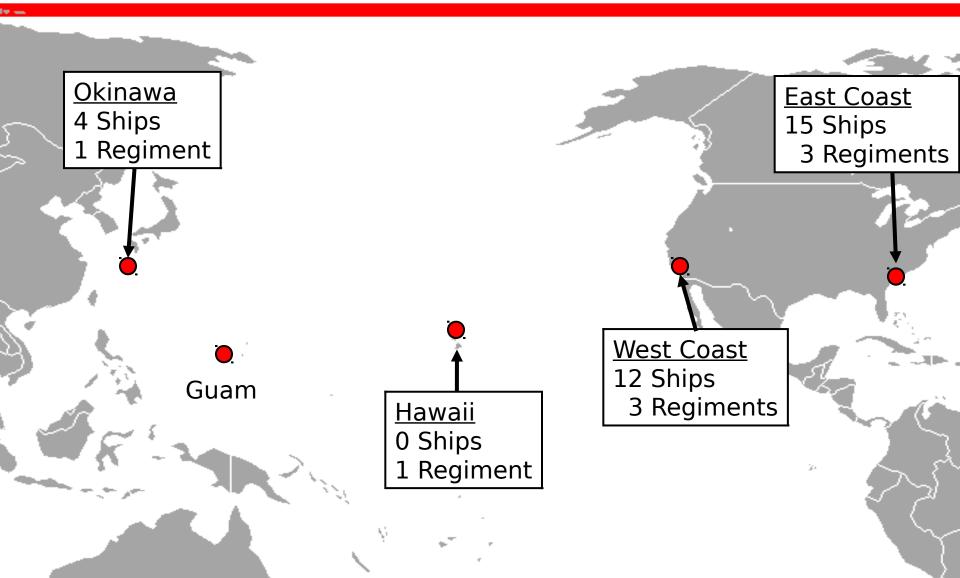
 Problem Statement: Operational mobility is out of balance with force lay down

## None of these options provide long term desired effects.

- Strategic air lift
- Operational "Request For Forces" submissions
- Maritime lift using JHSV ships
- Requires reexamination of the ratio of amphibious lift to Marine forces



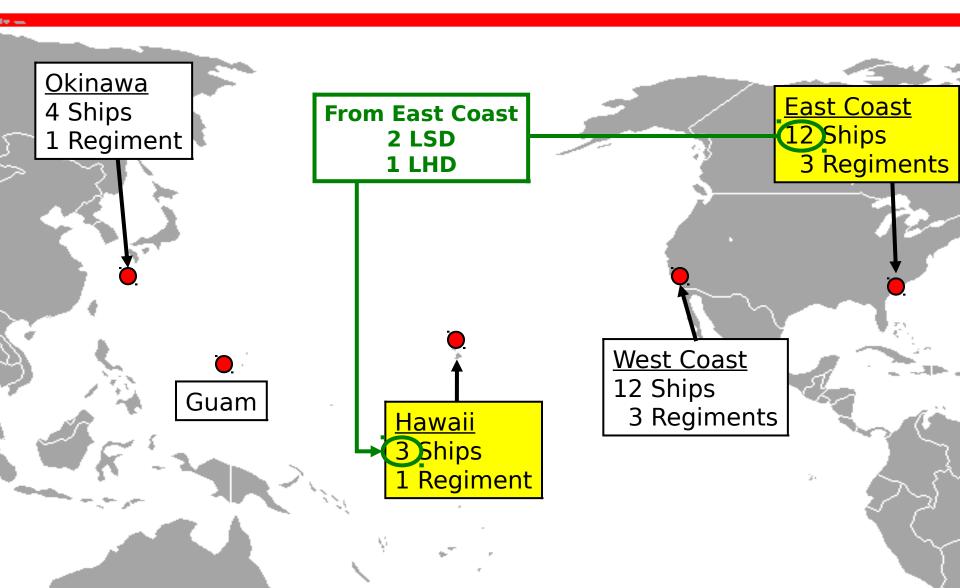
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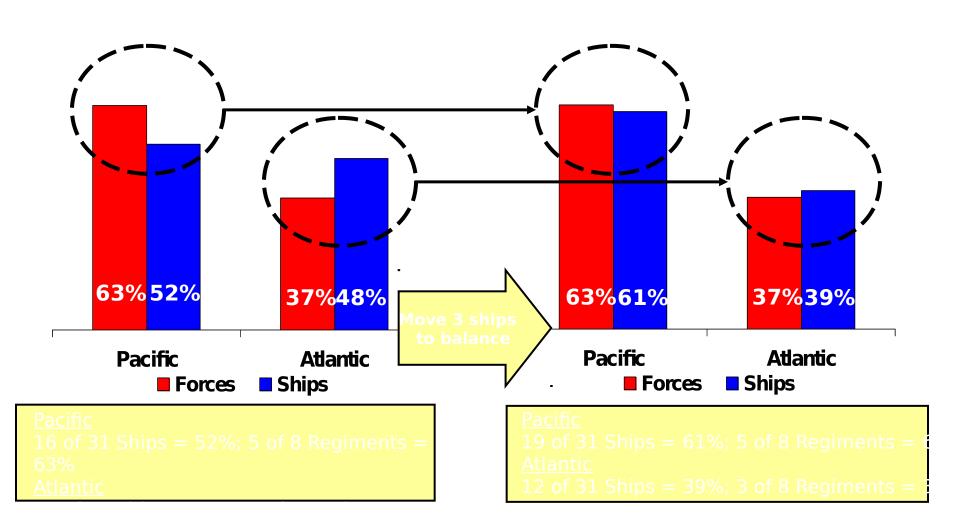
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## Opportunities Realized through Rebalancing

- 1. Balances mobility with force lay down
- Closes coherent capabilities earlier in the most dangerous scenarios
- Provides operational lift to enable timely, persistent, and sustained presence for the most likely scenarios
- 4. Postures USMC forces to be the force of choice



### **Questions / Comments**



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- III MEF General Discussion Points
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  - MDDOC Placement in MEF
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#### III MEF MDDOC

#### General Discussion Points:

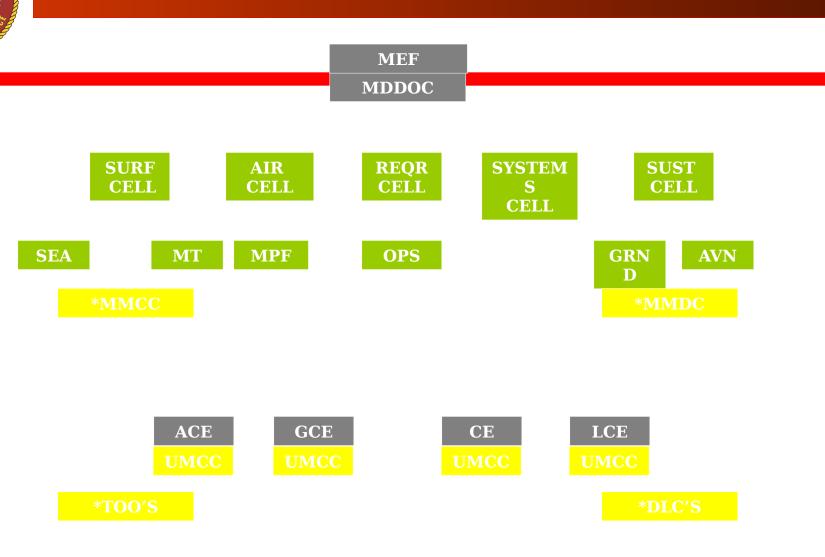
- III MEF Focus: OIF, OEF, SFI (incl PACOM Ex/Ops), consistent HA/DR Ops (Burma?)
- Optempo –vs- realistic manpower restraints
- Consistency across MSCs: Reset 0430's at Regt/Grp level and higher (CLR concerns)
- III MEF's dependency on Strat air/sealift to conduct ex/op missions will only increase with USMC force reset (WAP/ATARA) that includes wider displacement (incl Guam)



#### MDDOC Composition

- III MEF has (5) cells:
  - Air
  - Surface (Sealift, MPF, MT (or Grd Trans))
  - Sustainment (Grd and Avn)
  - Systems
  - Requirements
- Is this template acceptable at I and II MEF?
- Once aligned, TO's should be set





\*RESIDE IN LCE: EFFORTS OF DIST SPT AGENCIES SYNCHRONIZED UNDER MDDOC



#### G4 SMO - Before (Jan 08)

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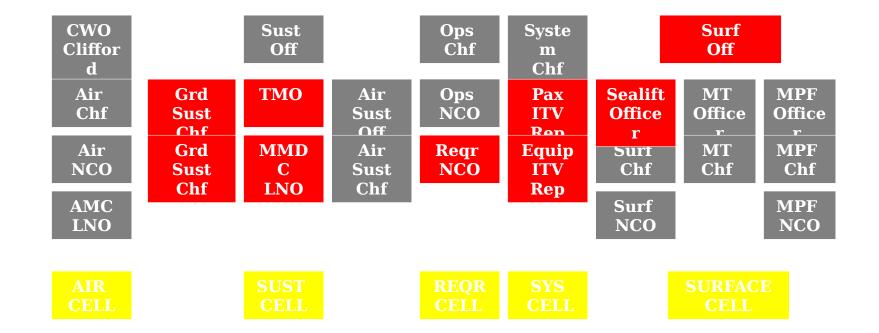
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#### Operations Role in Distribution?

- IAW MDDP, "distribution-related activities include force deployment, MarFor and MAGTF sustainment, maneuver, mobility, and retrograde in support of the execution of CCDR operations plans, conceptual plans, and other operations and exercises."
- Operations drives logistics, and distribution is more than just logistics. Our operators and planners at the MEF level must play in integral role in distribution planning for the MDDOC to be successful or efficient.
- Does I MEF's organizational layout facilitate implementation of the MDDP (MDDOC activation, etc..) better than the traditional MEF staff layout?



#### MDDOC Placement in MEF

- Distribution has been a "Log driven" effort.
- Current direction has MDDOC under MEF G4
- Alternative: Stand-alone agency, "fusion" of Log/Ops with potential for far greater efficiency (integrate ops & log plng IOT execute smartly)
- Manning implications on MEF T/O are significant
- Regardless of COA, recommend HQMC,
   Component, and MEF (both Ops & Log) determine whether to integrate. Uniformity is key.
- Without HQMC PP&O recognition/prioritization over distribution efforts, I don't believe integration with ops will occur



#### Senior MEF 0430; SMO or MDO??

- Precedence is important and this is a huge paradigm shift (i.e. no Strategic Mobility Officer or SMO section of the G4).
- This decision drives T/O, staffing, and reorganization efforts.
- Before we make major adjustments to the MEF T/O's we need to agree on direction.